

11-9953 BOYER V. STATE OF LOUISIANA

DECISION BELOW: 56 So.3d 1119

LOWER COURT CASE NUMBER: 10-693, 10-694

QUESTION PRESENTED:

1. Whether a state's failure to fund counsel for an indigent defendant for five years, particularly where failure was the direct result of the prosecution's choice to seek the death penalty, should be weighed against the state for speedy trial purposes?
2. Whether a defendant's due process right to present a complete defense, to compulsory process, and to confront the witnesses against him is violated where relevant and reliable expert testimony as to the psychology of interrogations and false confessions is excluded at trial by an arbitrary and disproportionate categorical ban?

GRANTED LIMITED TO QUESTION 1 PRESENTED BY THE PETITION.
CERT. GRANTED 10/5/2012